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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OEXC, SCUL, SY

SUBJECT: VISIT OF SYRIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS

REF: DAMASCUS 2502

1. NAMES OF DELEGATION FROM SYRIAN PARLIAMENT AND BRIEF
BIODATA FOLLOW.

2. KAYLANI, ADNAN: BORN DAMASCUS, 1933. NATIONALITY
SYRIAN. ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION IN DAMASCUS.
GRADUATED FROM DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY LAW FACULTY 1961.
WORKED AS LAWYER 1961-1964. THEN JOINED FOREIGN MINISTRY,
SERVED IN SYRIAN EMBASSIES IN SUDAN, BULGARIA, TANZANIA,
LIBYA. ELECTED TO COUNCIL FROM DAMASCUS DISTRICT IN
1973. SERVED UNTIL 1975 AS CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE FOR
ARAB AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS. UNDERSTANDS SOME ENGLISH BUT WOULD
REQUIRE INTERPRETER. NO OTHER FOREIGN LANGUAGE COMPETENCE.
KAYLANI IS DELEGATION LEADER.

AL-SHEIKH, QASI: BORN DEIR EZ-ZOR EASTERN SYRIA, 1937.
ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION DEIR EZ-ZOR. GRADUATED
FROM DAMASCUS UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF LAW 1962. PRACTICED LAW
1962-66. IN 1966 BECAME MEMBER OF JUDICIARY, SERVING
AS ADVISER TO COURT OF APPEALS. ELECTED TO COUNCIL FROM
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DEIR EZ-ZOR DISTRICT 1973. MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC RELATIONS 1973-75. CURRENTLY VICE CHAIRMAN
OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS.
SOME KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH, BUT INTERPRETER REQUIRED.

KHADRA, GHAZI: BORN IN BURJ EL KASAB, A SMALL VILLAGE
NEAR LATTAKIA, NORTHERN SYRIA. ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY

EDUCATION IN LATTAKIA. GRADUATED FROM DAMASCUS UNIVERISTY
LAW FACULTY. ELECTED TO COUNCIL IN 1973 FROM LATTAKIA
DISTRICT. MARRIED, FIVE CHILDREN. KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH
UNKNOWN. PRESUME INTERPRETER REQUIRED.

3. DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: NO PORK. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
NO PROBLEM.

4. GROUP SCHEDULED DEPART VIA PA 067 TUESDAY, APRIL 26.
ETA WASHINGTON (SAME FLIGHT) 1655, SAME DAY. (DULLES.)

5. REQUEST FISCAL DATA FOR PREPARATION OF GTR'S. PRESUME
ECONOMY CLASS TRAVEL ONLY AUTHORIZED. REQUEST MAXIMUM
PER DIEM ALLOWABLE. WILL ISSUE TRAVEL ADVANCE \$50 PER
PARTICIPANT.

6. PARTICIPANTS HAVE BEEN BRIEFED ON NATURE OF VISIT.
HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT IV PROGRAM DESIGNED MORE FOR
PERSONAL INQUIRY INTO DIVERSITY OF AMERICAN PEOPLE AND
IDEAS RATHER THAN HIGHLY STRUCTURED OFFICIAL VISIT.
SOME CONCERN EXPRESSED BY DELEGATION REGARDING PERSONAL
SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, SO DEPARTMENT/PROGRAMMING AGENCY SHOULD
BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS THIS QUESTION. GROUP HAS NO OBJECTION
TO PARTICIPATION IN PANEL DISCUSSIONS OR TV EXPOSURE,
WITH PROVISIO THEY BE GIVEN 2-3 DAYS WARNING.

7. PARLIAMENT SAYS SYRIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON AND/OR
SYRIAN UN DELEGATION NEW YORK WILL PROVIDE TRANSLATOR/
ESCORT. WE HAVE STRESSED THAT THIS IS UNNECESSARY FROM
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OUR VIEW POINT, AND THAT ANY ADDITIONAL EXPENSE INVOLVED
WILL HAVE TO BE BORNE BY SARG. BELIEVES THIS POINT
UNDERSTOOD. PROGRAM CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON SHOULD BE
USEFUL IN IRONING OUT THIS PROBLEM. BELIEVE DELEGATION
CAN BE PERSUADED TO LET PROGRAMMING AGENCY HANDLE ESCORT/
TRANSLATION DUTIES, BUT DEPARTMENT SHOULD KNOW THIS PROBLEM
UNRESOLVED.

8. FOR USIA, USIS DAMASCUS REQUESTS BRIEF NEWS CLIP
DELEGATION'S ARRIVAL, FIRST DAY WASHINGTON ACTIVIES FOR
REPLAY ON SYRIAN TV. WILL PROVIDE ID NUMBER IF
REQUIRED.
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